## THE MAINE LEGISLATURE.

Organization of the Legitimate Houses Last Night.

The People's Representatives in Possessio of Both Houses-A Regular Organization Effected-Quorum in Either Branch-The Judiciary Asked to Decide the Controversy-Armed Men.

Lamson Proclaimed Acting Governor. AUGUSTA, ME., Jan. 12.—On the assembling of the Senate this morning President Lamson sent in a letter announcing that he had assumed the duties of Governor. [The letter is the same as that telegraphed last night.] Senator Ellis, of Waldo, was chosen as president protempore. The committee on gubernatorial votes reported that the following votes were thrown at the election held in September: Whole number of votes, 138,807; necessary for a choice, 69,404. Daniel F. Davis received 68,700, Joseph L. Smith 47,649, Alonzo Garcelon 21,844, Bion Bradbury 263 and Daniel F. Davis 200. The remainder are scattering. The Constitutional candidates are Daniel F. Davis, Joseph L. Smith, Alonzo Garcelon and Bion Bradbury. On the proposition of the AUGUSTA, MR., Jan. 12 .- On the assembling Davis, Joseph L. Smith, Alonzo Garceion and Bion Bradbury. On the proposition of the Senate to hold a joint convention for the pur-pose of qualifying on the acts of the Governor, there was some acrimonious debate by Measrs. Locke, Barker and Strickland.

The joint convention was formed, and in the presence of the Secretary of State and several members of the council John D. Lamson took the cath, and was proclaimed as acting Gov-ernor of the State of Maine. But sixty mem-bers were present in the House, and that body adjourned without the transaction of any business.

AN ORDER FROM GENERAL CHAMBERLAIN. Augusta, Mr., Jan. 12.—General Chamber lain has issued the following order:

HEADQUARTER FIRST DIVISION.

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AUGUSTA, JANUARY 12, 1880.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 3.—FIRST—The attention of all military organizations now in the service of the State and of all men liable to military dury in this State is directed to the following orders:

STATE OF MAINE,

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ABJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

AUGUSTA, January 5, 1880.)

GENERAL ORDER NO. 12—First—The several pounties of this State are constituted into the First division of militia of Maine; second, Major-General Joshua L. Chamberlain is assigned to the command of the First division. Hird, the commanding officers of all military organizations accepted into the service of the State are required to report to him. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly. By order of the Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

B. D. LEAVITT, Adjutant-General.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

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AUGUSTA, JADVARY 5, 1880. J
SPECIAL ORDER NO. 45.—Major-General Joshua L.
Chamberlain is hereby authorized and directed to
protect the public property and institutions of the
state until my successor is duly qualified.
ALONZO GARCILON, GOVERNOR.
Second—Law pow discharging the dules thus

State until my successor is duly qualified.

ALONZO GARCILON, Governor.

Second—I am now discharging the duties thus devolved on me is protecting public properly and institutions of the State until a Governor is legally elected and duly qualified.

Third—Particular attention is called to the law rendering it unlawful for any body of men, other than the regularly organized corps of the militla, without authority expressly given, to associate themselves together as a military company organization, or to parade in public with arms.

Fourth—All persons and organizations will take notice accordingly, and all organized emiliary organizations will understand that they are to report to me for orders, until otherwise ordered by or through me.

Major-General.

Frank E. Nye, Major and Assistant Adjutant General.

THE PUSIONISTS' NEXT MOVE.

AUGUSTA, ME, Jan. 12.-It is announced that the Fusionists will proceed at once to the election of Governor and all staff officers. This is the general feeling. It is still claimed that Lamson will not be recognized as Gover-nor by General Chamberlain.

A REPUBLICAN SENATE AND HOUSE. AUGUSTA, ME., Jan. 12 .- At 5:10 o'clock this evening the Republican members of the Senatand House of Representatives proceeded to the State-house for the purpose of organizing the legislature. The movement was entirely nuknown to the Fusionists, and but few of the Republicans, outside of the immediate mem bers, were aware of the position of affairs. The news that the Republicans had taken posses sion of the State-house spread rapidly, and caused great rejoicing among the Republicans, who have been impatient to have just this resuit brought about.

Mr. Lamson, president of the Senate, when

he saw the people assembling, proceeded to General Chamberlain's headquarters and excitedly said, "I protest against these men coming in." The General informed Mr. Lamson that he should permit the men to come in and stay as long as they pleased. There was no forcible resistance whatever,

The halls were lighted, minor officers of the previous legislature familiar with the premises taking hold and tendering their assistance. In the Senate Hou. Jeremiah Diugley, ir., called the meeting to order, and Austin Harris was called to the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Butler, a member of the House. Charles W. Turner, esq., Assistant secretary of the last Science, called the roll, and eighteen Benators responded to the call. A quorum was announced present, all being Republicans, who proceeded to qualify, the oath being adminis-tered by Hen. William M. Stratton. Andrew R. S. Smith was declared Senator

from Lincoln county on the face of the re-turns. Joseph A. Locke was chosen president, receiving all the votes cast—19; Charles W. Tilden was chosen secretary and George E Brackett, of Bolfast, assistant secretary; Cl J. Lovejoy was chosen messenger and A. B.

T. Chadbourne assistant messenger.
The following order was passed:
Ordered, That a committee, consisting of
three members of the Senate, be appointed by the President to report to the Senate for its action whether the Senate shall call upon the justices of the Supreme Court for their opinion touching the legal organization of the Senate for the Fifty-ninth legislature, and to report for the action of the Senate such questions as the law and the facts require in the premises. NINETY-ONE MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE.

Augusta, Mr., Jan. 12 .- The members of ed to order by Mr. Wentworth, of Kittery, was made temporary chairman, and Oramandal Smith, clerk, the latter calling the roll of members-elect. All the Republicans responded, but the Fu sionists did not. Eighty-five members of the House responded to the call, and were qualified by William Stratton, clerk of the murt of Kennebec county, and dedimus potes-ntem. Subsequently six members, who were not by the fair returns elected, on account of defects amended under the law of 1877, were electes amended under the law of 1877, were administed by a resolution submitted by Mr. Strout. George E. Weeks, of Augusta, was elected Speaker. After organization Mr. Hale offered a similar resolution to that passed by the Senate calling for the appointment of a committee to request the opinion of the Supreme Judicial court as to the legality of the organization of the House. In offering the resolution Mr. Halo spoke of the extraordinary circumstances under which they met. He said the object of the organization was to settle the vital ques the organization was to settle the vital quos-tions affecting the organization of the legisla-ture and State government. The House will obey the decision of the court. Mr. Hale's resolution was adopted unani-mously, and A. Strout, of Portland, L. Hutch-

ison, of Lewiston, and Silas C. Hatch, of Ban-

members who had been counted out; Resolved. That Isaac Hansom, of Lebanon, Ed. C. Hall, of Noblesboro, George S. Hill, of Exeter, liver Bragdon, of Sullivan, Frank C. Nickersen, f Liuneus, and Robert M. Loring, of Perry, all in his State, be admitted to seats as misembers primarity of the House of Representatives of the Fifty-inth Legislature of Maine, in the places of Stephen

D. Lord, of Lebanon, James W. Clark, of Noblesboro, F. W. Hill, of Excter, James W. Flye, of Sullivan, John H. Brown, of Haynesville, and James M. Leighton, of Perry, in the State of Maine.

The House committee to investigate the charges of attempted bribery met in the Representative's hall. H. R. White was summoned to appear, but did not respond. He declined to recognize the authority of the committee. Swan and Harriman reiterated the substance of their affidavits and statements in the House with some additional particulars. Swan said he first heard of the bribery through J. O. White, a relative of H. R. White. Solon Chase testified that Swan called upon him at miduight the 5th instant at the residence of his cousin, M. V. B. Chase. He called him up and consulted him in regard to the transaction, and drew up the statement that he was going to take the \$1,000 and promise to do what he was asked for the make of exposing the transaction. Chase advised him to go shead. It appeared THE BRIBERY COMMITTEE. Chase advised him to go ahead. It appeared that no parties witnessed the transaction in either case. Harriman testified that he at first hesitated about going into the business, but after consulting Gove and others be con-cluded to do so. The investigation will be continued to-morrow.

PURTHER OF THE "COUP DE STAT." Bosron, Jan, 12.—Dispatches from Augusta received here to-night contain interesting details of the situation in that city. The organization of the legislature is declared to have been a well-considered preject on the part of the Republicans, and was decided upon as the most practical and feasible way of get-ting an opinion from the Supreme court upon subjects embodied in the orders passed in the Republican House and Senate to-night. There has been a strong pressure brought to bear upon the Republicans of Maine from their

party friends throughout the country.

The leaders declare that they waited awhile in hopes that the Fusionists would take some action in relation to admitting Republicans from the disfranchised cities and towns, but

waited in vain.

It is hoped the Supreme Judicial court will convens. Wednesday, in which event an answer is looked for by Friday or Saturday of this week.
Augusta is crowded with politicians to night from all parts of the State and elsowhere.

THE PUSIONISTS HOPEFUL. The Fusionists are not despondent, and they assert that General Chamberlain has promised that they shall not be prevanted from entering their respective chambers in the Statehouse to-morrow. The Republicans are holding the situation to-night, and many of them are sleeping upon the desks in the Senate and House chambers, ready to begin work to mor-row. They confidently express the belief that the legal opinion that has been asked for will be in their favor.

BUMORS OF VARIOUS KINDS are in circulation, not the least interesting of which is a report that Acting-Governor Lam-son will to-morrow endeavor to have Gov-ernor Chamberlin arrested by the military for his action in disregarding the protest of the former previous to the assembling of the Republican legislature this evening.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Interviews with Attorney Wells and His Successor, Colonel Corkhill. Yesterday morning a representative of THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN met District-Attor-ney H. H. Wells as he came from the Criminal court-room, and this brief colleguy ensued: " Governor, this is your last day in office,

believe?"
"Yes, str, and I am glad of it. I think Col onel Corkhill will be confirmed to-day, and he will take charge to-morrow."
"You will still continue the practice of

yes; I shall do that, I suppose, as long as I live.

"As you own property here I presume you will continue to reside in the city?"
"Yes, sir. I expect this will be my home for the future."
"Well, I guess you leave the office in a better condition than you found it ?"

m I entered that office everything was Inhe most chaotic state imaginable? There was no record complete of a single case. Papers were scattered in all directions, and it cost a great deal of trouble, time and labor to get hem straight."
"How is it now?" "Well, it is much different. There is not a

case, since I took the office, that I cannot give you a detailed account of all the proceedings you a detailed account of all the proceedings in connection with it in a minute. The system is so thorough that you can obtain information readily and without much searching. I think there are at least 8,000 cases on file in the office with a perfect record.

"I suppose you will let Colonel Corkhill have the benefit of your experience, if he

should desire it?" "Undoubtedly; anything that I can do to start him right and straight I will cheerfully Probably for a few days I can be of assistance to him, but after he gets acquainted with the office and the duties he will have no trouble

"Have you finished with the office?"
"Yas, I have just had my last set of accounts approved and passed. My time expires to-day, and I cannot hold over until Colonel Corkinil qualifies, as the law does not permit it. But the assistants can go on and attend to busi-The Governor then bade the representative

THE NEW DISTRICT ATTORNEY. "Well, Colonel, you are confirmed, I see," said THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN scribe to Colonel George W. Corkbill yesterday, when meeting

him on Pennsylvania avenue.

"Yes; I received notice of it a few minutes since," replied the United States District At-

"Have you made any selections of your asaistants or decided upon who they will be?"
"No, I have not even given the subject any consideration yet. No selection has been made, and all the announcements are untrue and decidedly memature. I want to look the matter over thoroughly before I come to a decision. I shall receive my commission to-morrow merning, and after that I shall take a survey of my official duties. I propose to secure some acquaintance with them to enable me to not knowledy in selection the scale. me to act knowingly in selecting the assistance that my office requires. I am bound by no promises, and shall try to have the personnel of the office the best possible to obtain. I do not think that I shall meet with much diffculty in getting into barness, and expect in a little while to work as steady as a wheel

horse."
The Colonel then hastened on to dinner, which seemed at that time to be the most interesting matter for his discussion.

Confirmations.

The Schate in executive session yesterday confirmed the following nominations: George B. Corkhill, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia. United States Attorneys-Charles S. Varien.

for the district of Novada; John K. Valentine, for the eastern district of Penusylvania. Captain of Revenue Service of the United States—First Lieutenant John C. Mitchell. Postmaster—Miss Punice G. Colburn, at

Franklin, Now Hampshire.
The Senate at 4:20 p. m. adjourned. The Senate also confirmed the nomination of Captain Homer C. Blake to be a commodore in the navy. This action was reached after another two-hours' debate, in continuation of gor, were appointed as the committee. The the discussion commenced last Thursday, following is the resolution scatting the six upon the legal questions then mentioned as members who had been counted out: Blake's promotion and to that of Captain Bar-rett, made by friends of Captain Egbort Thompson, of New York, now on the retired list, who claims that he is suffiled to restora-tion and promotion on the active list in preference to either Harrett or Blake,

CIRCUIT OF THE WORLD.

The Wires' Burden From Every Quarter.

State Legislatures Getting to Work-Parnell's Reception in Boston-The Bogert Sulcide-The King of the Killers Indicted-Oyster War on the Rappahannock-Senator Lamar III, &c., &c.

Iowa Legislature Convened. DES MOINES, Jan. 12.-The legislature convened to-day, and Governor Gear's message Governor Foster Inaugurated,

naugurated here to-day. The military and citizens turned out en masse, notwithstanding the prevalence of a snow-storm. The Chicago Strikers Giving Way. CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—There are indications of a speedy dissolution of the Butchers' Union. The packers report many of their old em-

COLUMBUS, Jan. 12.—Governor Foster was

ployees returning to work and signing the iron-clad agreement. Suicide by Shooting.

New York, Jan. 12.—Henry Holiand, twenty-eight years old, a lawyer, committed suicide by shooting himself this morning at his office in the University building, at Waverly Place and University Place.

Wire Murder and Suicide, MILWAUKEE, WIS., Jan. 12,-Captain W. G. Wilkinson, leader of the band at the National Soldiers' Home, some time last night shot and killed his wife and then killed himself. Domestic trouble is supposed to have caused the

Death of a Prominent Charlestoniau, CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 13.-Colonel A. O. Andrews, for many years president of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, and prominent in connection with the coast survey and other useful public enterprises, died today, aged 63 years.

Louisiana Legislature. New Officans, Jan. 12.—In the Senate to-day John Clegg was elected secretary. The House organized by electing R. N. Ogden, of Orleans, speaker; P. J. Trezevaut, of Caddo, was elected clerk, and Major Thomas W. Me-Intyre, of Orleans, sergeant-at-arms.

Parnell in Boston, Bosron, Jan. 12.—Despite a driving rainstorm, Music Hall was packed to-night with sympathizers in the Irish land agitation, to welcome Parnell and Dillon on their first public appearance in Boston. Mayor Prince presided, and Mr. Parnell spoke half an hour.

The Utah Legislature. SALT LAKE, UTAH, Jan. 12.-The Utah

Territorial legislature met to-day. Lorenzo Snow was elected President of the Council and Orson Pratt Speaker of the House. All but six members are polygamists. No message was received from Governor Emery, he being at Washington. Inquest in the Bogert Suicide Case.

New York, Jan. 12.—The inquest was con-cluded to-day in the case of Benjamin C. Bo-gert, Tressurer of the Produce Exchange, who committed suicide on Thursday last. The jury rendered a verdict of suicide by an over-dose of landanum taken while laboring under aberration of the mind.

Funeral of Sarah Smith Stafford. TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 12.—The funeral of Sarah Smith Stafford took place this afternoon. Thousands of persons visited the residence and church. A wreath of flawers from Presi-dent Hayes and the flag of the Bon Homme Richard inv on the coffin. A letter of con-Richard my on the coffu. A letter of con-lolence was also received by the family from President Hayes and another from his son.

Performance Enjoined. NEW YORK, Jan. 12 .- Judge Choate, in the nited States Circuit court, granted an inmetion this morning, restraining Mr. Flemog from performing, or Mr. Aberele from pre-enting at his theatre the fire and other scenes n the play entitled "The Poor of New York.

Saicide in a Prison Cell. DOYLESTOWN, PA., Jan. 10.—Joseph Haifner, of Andalusia, Bucks county, was committed to jail last Sunday evening on the charge of murdering Jacob Geber, by shooting him, in murdering Jacob Geber, by shooting him, in an altercation about board money. His wife and child called to see him this morning, but when his cell door was opened he was found dead in bed, having cut his throat from ear to ear.

Billy McMullin Indicted.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12 .- The grand jury oday found true bills of judictment against ouncilman William McMullin-one of them being for riot, one for carrying concealed deadly weapons, and the last for assault and battery with intent to kill Michael C. Lyon These cases all grow out of the rioting and dis order which took place at the Democratic nominating conventions of the Fourth and Fifth wards last month.

The Virginia Oyster War. RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 12.—Governor Holl: day to-day transmitted to the General Assem-bly petitious from the people and officials of caster county, praying for protection from narauding systemen, who have invaded the tappahaunock river in armed vessels and riven citizens from the syster beds. In conliets which have occurred, two citizens have seen killed. The papers were referred to the ommittee on police for immediate action.

Mississippi Democratic Caucus. JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 12,-The Democratic ucus is in session. The fourth ballot re-lted-Barkedale, 555; Watthall, 392; Single

ton, 40; George 1.

The caucus adjourned after 12 ballots, the cast standing, Barksdale, 54; Walthall, 38; Singleton, 40; sextering, 4. Barksdale received as high as 58 on the sixth ballot. Much Rough Weather on the Atlantic.

New York, Jan. 12.—The steamer Arragon, which arrived here to-day from Bristol, had fine weather to Cape Clear, thence expe-rienced heavy southwest to northwest gales with terrificanow squalls, amounting at times to a burricane. January 2 a heavy sea broke on board, carrying away rails and staucheons, ifted the starboard life-boat out of the chock. and stove the quarter boat in pieces; also stove in the wheel-house and carried away the ventilators. January 6 on the banks the weather

Starvation in Ireland. London, Jan. 12.—The correspondent of the ress Association report that the distress in reland is increasing. Five hundred inhab-tants of the Scote Rog district, County Limerick, are on the brink of starvation. They proceeded to-day in a body to Croon and obtained four cart-loads of breatby the augent representation of their extremity. The streets of Cork are particular by mounted police, and the magistrates of that city have passed resolutions auging greater activities. the magistrates of that city have passed reso-lutions urging greater activity in suppressing demonstrations partaking of the nature of broad riots, and asking for the appointment of additional police. Messas. Davits, Daly, Killen and Brennan to-day received notices

SENATOR LAMAR ILL.

A Stroke of Paralysis Sunday Night. A Stroke of Paralysis Sunday Night.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Jan. 12.—A special dispatch to the Aralanche from Jackson, Miss., says: "Senator Lamar was stricken with paralysis last night. Considerable uncasiness is felt as to his condition. The attending physicians pronounce his case hopeful."

JACKSON, Jan. 12.—Senator Lamar has been here several days in the interest of General Walthal, and was stricken last night. His condition is not considered critical.

THE ECLIPSE YESTERDAY. Successful Observation in Southern Cali-

fornia. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—A special dispatch to the Call from Fresno says: "The line of totality of the eclipse of the sun passed ten miles north of this place. The weather was per-fectly clear. At 245 o'clock the first contact was visible, and at 3:53 the observation became was visible, and at 3:53 the obscuration became total. As the last ray of sunlight disappeared a cosona of clear white light, entirely encircling the moon, flashed into view, brilliant at the edge of the moon and paling toward the outer limit of the halo. Next, along the border of the lower left third of the moon appeared an irregular fringe of brilliant, sparkling, primitive red and purple light, while at the town of the moon they was a bright relief at the top of the moon there was a bright yellow triangle of light equal in height to one-sixth the diameter of the disc. A similar butsmaller triangle appeared at the centre of the right side of the moon, and from the upper and lower right side broad, faint rays were projected. lower right side broad, faint rays were projected. This appearance lasted thirty one seconds, the corona remaining one minute longer. The sun disappeared behind the coast range before the celipse last satirely passed. During the obscuration the horses of the party of observers showed signs of extreme uncasiness, and the fowls of the neighboring ranches sought their roosts. At Salegas, where the eclipse was also total, the thermometer fell eight degrees during the totality.

RELIEF FOR IRELAND. Making Arrangements for the Mass-Meeting. A very large and enthusiastic meeting of the general committee of Irish citizens, composed of the presidents of all the Attended its een, was held last night at Carroll Hall, to nake arrangements for a mass-meeting in the make arrangements for a mass-meeting in the interest of the suffering people in Ireland, General James R. O'Beirne presided, with Colonel Oulahan secretary. Mr. McDevitt, of the committee on hall, reported that Lincoln Hall had been secured for the mass meeting on the 20th instant. The clived chairmen of the several committees and sub-committees reported progress. A motion was adopted requesting each member of the general committee to contribute \$5 to defray converse. general committee to contribute \$5 to defray any expenses that may arise. The following telegram, received by Commissioner Morgan, NEW YORK, January 12,

Distress increasing; aid argently requested.
Lepth Mayor of Dunta,
Duntan faish Rejart Committer. DUBLIN ISBN ROSILE CONMITTEE.

The secretary read the list of signers to the call for the mass-meeting, which included the names of mest of the prominent citizens of the District. Major Dillon and Messrs. Broderics, Wright, James Linsky, Thomas Dolan and John Fallon were elected members of the committee. The chair announced that arrangements were being sperfected with General Benjamin F. Statler for a lecture on the "Irish Soldier in America, "the proceeds to be applied to the ralief of the suffering people in Ircland; the cleature, however, to be so disposed of as not to conflict or interfere with the mass-meeting." a conflict or interfere with this mass-meeting A motion was adopted to the effect that the rish and kindred societies of the District be invited to attend the mass-meeting on the 20th. The meeting then adjourned until next Friday night.

The Light Infantry's Fair. The Washington Light Infantry Corns have launched into a new enterprise in the shape of a fair, to be held at the Masonic Temple on for the purpose of taking the precliminary steps toward the fair. There was a large attendance of honorary members, comprising some of the most prominent of our business men. They resolved to co-operate heartily with the active membership. All the necessary committees were appointed and it was The cutting out of the "fire scene" in particular takes away the principal sensation in the evidently the determination of all present to make the fair not merely successful in a pecu-niary point of view, but sufficiently attractive to secure the liberal patronage of our fellow-citizens. It is proposed to have a parale of the corps on the afternoon of Monday, the 23d of February, when it is believed the corps will parade with the fullest rank that it has ever exhibited. The fair will continue two weeks.

Senator Bayard's Finance Bill. The Senate Finance Committee will meet this morning, and it is expected that every member will be present except Senator Jones, of Nevada, who is absent from the city, as it is generally understood that a final effort will be de to get the Bayard financial resolution

it of the committee.

Mr. Bayard said to a National Republi-CAN representative yesterday, that he should certainly call the resolution up to-day for action. He wanted to get it out of the commit tee, and as it was a well-known fact that there would be a majority and a minerity report, he thought there would be no opposition to its being reported. "The committee will stand," said Senator Bayard, "four to four without Sounter Jones—three Democrats— Mr. Kernan, Mr. Wallace and myself, and one Republican, Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, favoring it. Mr. Voorhees and Mr. Beck, Democrats, and Mr. Ferry and Mr. Allison, Republicans.

"But as Senator Jones is not present, the committee will be equally divided," suggested TRE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN representative. Yes, sir, that is true; but I prefer to have Mr. Jones counted as present and voting upon the resolution. It is well known that he is opposed to it, and he should have the benefit of his opposition. I therefore regard the majority report of the committee as against the "Do you still adhers to your bellef that the

olution will pass the Senate?" inquired THE National Republican messenger.

"Yes, sir, I do certainly. I believe that it has gained in strength and will gain as the question is discussed. I do not believe that the Republican members of the Senate as a body will vote against it. If there is anything that has made the Republican party strong that has made the Republican party strong with the business element of the country it has been its adherence—its consistent adherence—to sound money doctrines. I expect a good majority of the Democrats in the Sonate to vote for it as well as a number of Republi-

Postmaster-General Key yesterday sent to the House of Representatives a voluminous ommunication is reply to a resolution of that ody adopted December 18, requesting him to urnish such information as the records of the Postoffice Department might contain respect-ing the extent to which lottery companies or agents make use of the mails for the conduct and circulation of their correspondence, and the extent to which the mails are used in re-. The report, which was mainly prepared Mr. A. H. Bissell, law clerk of the Depart-

of Queen's Bench, Dublin, on the 16th instant.

Interesting Matters Around the Capitol and Elsewhere.

Bill Day in the House-A Free-Salt Vote in the House-Confirmations by the Senate -An Important Question Decided - Proposed Amendation of the New Rules - Contested Elections.

Congress Yesterday, Both Houses of Congress were in session cesterday, but, as is usually the case on Mon-

day, no business of importance was transacted In the House the morning hour was devoted to the introduction of bills and resolu-tions under the call of States, and the usual avalanche of unimportant measures were in-

Perhaps the most important action of the House was that taken on the resolution offered by Mr. Hatch, of Missouri, providing for the admission of saft free of duty. As it was offered the tarriff men began fillibustering, and the yeas and mays were called twice upon preliminary motions. Finally, however, satisfied that a two-thirds vote could not be obtained in its favor, they let it go to a vote, resulting in 115 yeas to 114 nays. This majority vote in favor of admitting saft free of duty was something of a surprise to the tariff men, and the free

The vice-President land before the Schate detailed surveys of proposed river and harbor improvements, and Mr. Hamliu, of Maine, presented a memorial asking legislation which will give rightful claimants upon the Geneva award fund the opportunity to present their claims immediately.

Several other uniprocept measures were with such legislation as we deemed would be into the formula of the content."

"Your committee, I believe, can do nothing more than this?"

"Nothing with the Indians. We can simply report to the House the result of our investigation, and our conclusions upon the evidence, with such legislation as we deemed would be interested.

Several other unimportant measures were introduced, and at an early hour the Schate went into executive session.

With such registation as we deemed would be just, both to the Indians and the Government.'

The New Postmaster. Postmaster Ainger having filed his bond and taken the oath of office, received his commission yesterday as Postmaster of Washington. The bond required in this instance is \$200,000. but Mr. Ainger's sureties are \$50,000 above that amount. At about noon Mr. Ainger vis-ited the Postoffice, not, however, to take formal possession, which was deferred until to-day, While there he was called upon by the employees, who were introduced by the heads of their respective divisions. All were received courteously, and the assurance given that no removals would be made solely for the purpose of creating a vecancy, and none until he became thoroughly conversant with the affairs of the office; and forther, that clerks found competent and further, that clerks found competent and efficient would require no influence to secure their retention, while influence would not protect those who could not or did not properly discharge their duties. The reception was a pleasant one on all sides. Mr. Tulloch

remains as Assistant Postmaster. Last night the new Postmaster, with the assistance of Special Agent Harrison, was engaged in taking an account of the office, and he will this morn-ing formally enter upon the discharge of his new official duties. The Louislana Senatorship

The new constitution of Louisiana does not onform to the present laws of the United states in relation to the election of a United Sintes Senator. The present members of the legislature are elected for four years, and be-fore their term of office expires Governor

Congressman Randall Gilson and McEnery. who claimed to be Governor at the time Kellogg was sustained by the General Governthe 23d of February. A meeting of active and honorary members was held last evening the principal candidates, and one or the other will probably be elected to succeed Mr. Kellogg.

"I think," he rapited, "that McEnery will be elected, although the friends of Randall Gibson claim that he is practically certain of

It is understood that if the Senate should disturb Mr. Kellogg by declaring his seat vacaut, as the Louislanians expect, that the present Governor will appoint Judge Spotford to fill the fag end of Kellogg's term. It is also said that this extraordinary arrangement for electing a Senator to take his seat four years hence was made for the purpose of get-ting rid of Judge Spofford by electing some other man to succeed Governor Kellogg after his full term had expired and while Spofford is contesting for his present seat, so as to prevent his being a candidate again if he should succeed in getting it. The only possibility, therefore, of Spofford's ever becoming Senator

House Committees on Appropriations were in secret caucus yesterday morning for some time. The call for the meeting had been kept very quiet, and members of both committees were exceedingly reticent as to the object of the

gathering, the subjects discussed and the conclusious reached. It was ascertained, how-wer, that the question of equalizing the pay of the employees of the two Houses was disquast d, but the important question under con. sideration was the deficiency bill, providing o'clock at night the crowd apparently disshals and their deputies, which amount was embodied in the bill which failed during the

extra session.

It is understood that there was no formal decision in relation to this deficiency bill. It is recognized by the leaders of the Damocracy as a piece of political dynamite, which it is necessary for them to handle very carefully. While a number of the members were in favor of reporting this bill pure and simple, without riders, there was a strong scutiment manifest against fully yielding the position which

of Pannaylvania, against Yokum, the Green-backer, were in session last night to hear the final arguments in cach case. Judge Frandrau concluded his argument in behalf of Mr. Washburne. It occupied two hours, and was a careful summing up of all the points raised by Mr. Julian in his endeavor to explain away the majority of 3.015 which Mr. Wash-burne received. Jallan's weak presentation of the case has been too respectable and tame for Donnelly's taste, and he concluded to do the summing up bimself, and

closing argument for Mr. Curtin, and Mr. Don-nelly closed his case in his own behalf. It is the intention of the committee to dispose of

these two cases this week.

The full House Election Committee will meet at 10 e'clock for the purpose of deciding whether or not they will permit Mr. McCabe to file his evidence and continue his contest. The general impression now seems to be that Mr. McCabe will be permitted to continue.

General Scales and the Utes.

The coming of Chief Oursy and the other Ute Indians provokes a good deal of talk at the Capitol, as to what their visit will amount to. Meeting General Scales, the emitent statesman from the Tay-Heel State, who presides over the House Committee on Indian Affairs, The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN said: "Mr. Scales, when do you propose to interview the Ute Indians now in this city?"

"Whonever Secretary Schurz and the Executive branch of the Government gots through with them."

"How long will that be?"

"It may be a week or ten days; perhaps longer."

of a surprise to the tariff mee, and the free traders were correspondingly jubilant.

In the Senate there was really no business of importance transacted.

The Vice-President laid before the Senate official of the Government."

Drawing Seats in the House.

Under the present system of drawing seats by lot by members of the House of Repre-Under the present of the House of Repro-by lot by members of the House of Repro-sentatives it often happens that the best seate are drawn by delegates who have no vote, or by new members, inexpecienced in the rules and practice of the House on their respective of the House on their respective friend. All intercourse between the Indians

lowing as a substitute for rule 32:

Before the first meeting of each Congress the clerk of the next preceding. House of Representatives shall prepare a list from his roll of members elect, giving precedence to those members who have served longest in Congress, whether such service has been continuous or not; and where two or more members are equal in length of service, their manas shall be pinced on the list in alphabetical order, the names of delegates to be placed on the list in a like manner, but after the members. And at the commencement of each Congress the clerk shall immediately after calling the roll, prepared under existing law, proceed to call the mannes of members and delegates-elect as they stand on the list prepared under this rule, and each as his name is called, shall select his seat for that Congress.

A Pension Office Investigation

Congressman Harmer, of Pennsylvania, in-troduced the following resolution in relation to the Pension Office, and secured its passage

legislature are elected for four years, and before their term of office expires Governor Kellogg's seat in the Scuate will have become vacant by the expiration of historia of service. Therefore the present legislature must elect a Scuator to succeed him on the second Tuesday after it assembles.

The people of Louisiana are, therefore, in the midst of the excitement of a Scuatoria election, whileh, under ordinary circumstances, would not be due for three years.

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186 sect. That a committee of seven members of this House be appointed by the Speaker, whose dispute the new for payment of payment of payment of persons and back pay, and to execute the midst of the excitement of a Scuatorial election, whileh, under ordinary circumstances, would not be due for three years.

The resolution also provides that the ex-The resolution also provides that the expenses of said investigation shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

This resolution was preceded by a long promble reciting sundry and divers allegations against the Pension Office.

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Congressman Harmor's efforts are in the right direction, as there ought to be some measures taken to relieve the present pressure upon that department of the Government and to provide some machinery for the proper settlement of soldiers' pension claims.

MARYLAND JUSTICE.

An Impromptu Hanging at Poolesville-Information was received in this city yes torday of the lynching of a young negro named George Peck, at Poolesville, Mont-

succeed in getting it. The beauting Senator therefore, of Spofford's ever becoming Senator will be in case the Democratic majority in the Senate resorts to the unlawful methods of unscaling Kellogg, which they propose, and the Governor appoints him to fill Kellogg's unexcess to the unlawful methods of unsknown to the jury" was committed Saturday morning. The little girl was milking cows in a stable-yard, when Peck crept up behind her, soized her by the arms, and carrying him her, soized her by the arms, and carrying her helind a hay-rick, attempted to accomaind her, seized her by the arms, to accom-per behind a hay-rick, attempted to accom-the screams of the girl her behind a hay-rick, attempted to accomplish his purpose. The screams of the girl attracted the attention of Rev. Mr. Amy, who was in his yard across the road. He hastened to the spot and Peck ran away to the stable. An officer was sent for and Peck was arrested. In the afternoon he was the real pecked, up in the was taken to Poolesville and locked up in the Odd-Fellows' Hall. A crowd gathered about the hall, and threats of lynching were boldly made. However, no attempt to capture the o'clock at night the crowd apparently dis-persed, and the officer in charge prepared to remove his prisoner to his own house, where

he could guard him over night. He first took him into a store on the opposite side of the street, intending to make some purchases. He locked the door after him. Scarcely had this operation been performed before a horseman halted before the store and fired a pistol in the air. Upon this signal, men, some of them masked, rushed upon the scene from every direction. The door was burst open, the officer was seized and blindfolded, and a rope, was seized and blindfolded, and a rope, already neesed, was thrown over the prisoner's caused the extra session and provoked the angry discussion which followed the assault upon the Federal election law. There was therefore no formal decision as to the policy to be pursued either in relation to this bill or the subject of appropriations generally.

Contested Election Cases.

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Washington Commandery.

Washington Communitory No. 1, Kulghta complar, will informally celebrate the fiftyhe concluded to do stated conclave to morrow evening, at the summing up binned, and be commenced intent, gives a succinct account of the operations or the different concerns against which his tirade last evening after Judge Flandrau had concluded. It was thoroughly personal in the steps taken by the Department in each case. The details of those matters have in the main been given against the Washboack.

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## THE VISITING UTES.

Ouray Has an Interview With Secretary Schurz.

The Others Stay at Home Waiting for Their Clothes to Come-Some Incidents at the Hotel-A Visit From Miss Josephine Mecker-The Braves, Enchanted by a Hand-Organ, Have a Dance,

Quray and His Brayes.

The Utes stopping at the Tremont House did not get their promised store-clothes yesterday, and, consequently, were compelled to remain indoors. Chief Ouray, however, would not be balked out of any pleasure, and sent and purchased a new outfit. Shortly after, General Adams called upon him, and a visit to Secretary Schurz was agreed upon. Upon arriving at the Interior Department the Secretary greeted his visitor pleasantly. The interview between Oursy and the Secretary was private, and and the Secretary declined to give out any Information regarding it. It is understood, however, that the Secretary was very positive with him in regard to his leaving his present reservation and giving up the offending members of his tribe. This kind of talk did not please Oursy, for, after leaving the Interior Department, he said Secretary Schurz was the worst man he had met yet. It is announced on good authority that the other chiefs who talked with General Adams and Otto Mears appear to accept the situation, and have discussed the best place for them to locate. If proper means are used it is very probable that arrangements may be perfected by which the Utes could be

induced to give up their reservation and he transferred to Northwestern Colorado or Uni-tah, in Utah Territory.

Among the visitors that called to see the Indians yesterday was Miss Josephine Mecker. She first saw Ouray and his wife, Chepeta, and after stating that she was no t mad with them for anything that had occurred to her, enjoyed a half-bour's chat. Afterwards she had a talk —leaders of the House on their respective sides—are often forced to the very outside row of seats. This has been, usually, partially remedied by an exchange of seats; but in order that the rule may more fully conform to the "eternal fluess of things," Messra. Calkins, of Indiana; Chalmers, of Mississippi, and others have agreed to offer and urgo the following as a substitute for rule 32;

Before the first meeting of each Congress the eleck of the next preceding House of Representatives shall prepare a list from his roll of members who elect, giving precedence to those members who party of braves gathered at the window to witness the strange sight. The musician was finally induced by the offer of several pennics to go into the yard of the lotel and scrende the aborigines. As soon as he began to turn the crask it was too much for Indian blood,

and a retreat from the window followed. Headed by Jack, the party silently filed down stairs, out through the kitchen into the yard and scrutinized the wonderful thing. After giving them an hour of unelloyed pleasure the grinder, becoming weary, was forced to desist and the Indians returned to their room. The music had done its work, bewever, for when they got up stairs a series of dances were ladulged in which would have made a song and dance man turn paic with envy. Another treat was however, in store for the sons of the forest. In the evening after suppor Wash came down into the hotel office and stated that he wanted a bath. His wish was granted, and after half an lour he went up stairs and told his companions of his good luck. In a few minutes the remainder of the party came trooping down stairs in search of the luxury. They were all turned into the bath-rooms, and for over an hour kicked, splashed, and, it is hinted, washed to their hearts' content. After performing this cat they went to bed and slept as only In dians know how. It is probable that two or three days will elapse before a council with the whole delegation will be held by Sceretary

The Secretary said in reply to an inquiry that he did not at present desire to say any-thing regarding his conference with Ouray, and that he had not yet decided whether he would hold an open council with the entire delegation of Indians or not. Insenuch as it has been stated that the Indians are being guarded as captives, the Secretary desired to announce that such was not the in-tention of the Department. The Indians, he said, were here as a delegation, and would be treated as such, but in view of the rough treatment they had received at the several raffroad depots of transfer while on their way to this city, and as some of them were unwell, he thought it best that they be given ample time for rest and recuperation before they are approached by citizens or rep-resentatives of the press. The Secretary re-marked incidentally, "There will be plenty of gomery county, Md., late Saturday night, for an attempted outrage upon a little girl named Ada Hays, claven years of age, step-daughter a few days."

THE HAYT INQUIRY.

First Day's Work of the Investigation, Two members of the Committee of the Board of Indian Commissioners were at the Interior Department yesterday, engaged in their labors. It is known that two members of the committee are strongly in favor of the Commissioner, and the third, is a new and inexperienced member of the Board. Goneral Fisk, who brings the charges, was absent in New York yesterday, and it is reasonable to suppose that not much progress was made during the day. General Fisk will return to-day or to-morrow, and will use his best efforts to secure the production of all the facts in the

nase. How a Cattle Bid was Awarded. Many fleby transactions are just now being brought to light reflecting upon Commissioner Hayt and the present management of the In-dian Bureau, and if half of them are true there never was a time in its history when it was more corruptly or inefficiently managed than at present. Sanata Disable to managed than at ought to light reflecting upon Commissi present. Senator Plumb, of Kansas, has inst nearthed a nice little scheme of favoritism, nothing worse, which is worth telling. The story goes that some time since, Com-

missioner Hayt advertised for bids for a cer-tain number of head of Missouri and Kauma cattle, to be delivered at certain points in dif-He was dragged out into the road, over ferent Territories which were named. One se and across an open field to a locust tree bidder bid \$15.89 per head for Missouri and competition for that class of stock other traders it is claimed would have bid something 9 like \$12 per head.

This contract for Texas cattle for \$15.75 would have yielded a next little profit to the favorite bidder. There is a difference, the stock

raisers explain, from \$4 to 50 between Terms stock and Missouri and Kansas cuttle.

The man who bid \$15.89 for the high class of cattle as advertised for made a russ timt the contract had been to by the Commissioner to this favorate bidder for Texas cattle at \$15.75